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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action ("Final Office Action") mailed June 17, 2009 and having a shortened statutory period for reply of three months set to expire on September 17, 2009, Applicants submit the following remarks and amendments. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider the rejections of the claims in view of the remarks and amendments set forth in this response as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on Page 8 of this paper.